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Continuous Polymer
Filaments

AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action mailed August 27, 2001, please amend the
above-identified application for patent as follow.

In The Claims:

Please amend the following claims:

1. (Once Amended) A nonwoven fabric formed on a three-dimensional
image transfer device, said fabric [comprising] consisting essentially of a continuous
web of substantially endless thermoplastic melt extruded filaments having a denier of
about 0.5 to 3, wherein said filaments are hydroentangled in the form of interengaged
packed loops, with the substantially endless filaments being substantially free of
breaking, wrapping and knotting.

11. (Once Amended) A nonwoven fabric as in claim 1, wherein said
continuous web of substantially endless thermoplastic filaments comprises a plurality of
layers of said [continuous] filaments.

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